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Re: Docket No. DN2002135

Sir:

Enclosed for filing is a Patent Application under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(b), including the Specification, with 20 claims, Information Disclosure Statement and Declaration and Power of Attorney of David John Zanzig, Georges Marcel Victor Thielen, Jennifer Ann Peters Knickle and Brian David Holden, for TIRE WITH TREAD OF CIS 1,4-POLYBUTADIENE RICH RUBBER COMPOSITION WHICH CONTAINS A FUNCTIONAL STYRENE/BUTADIENE ELASTOMER, SILICA AND COUPLING AGENT.

The filing fee is calculated as follows:

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Please charge our deposit account No. 07-1725 in the amount of \$750.00 in payment of the filing fee. The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and/or 37 C.F.R. 1.17, or credit any overpayment, to deposit account No. 07-1725. This letter is being submitted in triplicate.

The Applicants hereby incorporate by reference prior U. S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/411,467, filed on September 16, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures

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